(i) complaints of pensioners belonging to Central Government Department;

(ii) complaints from employees belonging to the Maharashtra Government or Maharashtra institutions.

The Department of Pension and Pensioners Welfare is the nodal Department for policy making, interpretation of rules and also redressal of grievances of pensioners belonging to the Central Government Departments. Sanction, disbursement and settlement of pension cases of Central Government servants have been fully decentralised and individual Departments are responsible for sanction and disbursement of pension to their pensioners. Employees belonging to State Governments, public sector undertakings and autonomous institutions are governed by the pensionary/retirement benefits as framed/adopted by them. The CCS (Pension) Rules apply only to the Central Government servants.

The Department of Pension and Pensioners Welfare receives complaints from Central Government pensioners as well as from the pensioners of various State Governments and autonomous institutions. While the Department of Pension and Pensioners Welfare facilities settlement of pensions belonging to Central Government, action to settle cases and redressal of grievances of pensioners belonging to the State Governments and their autonomous insitutions are to be considered by the respective State Governments and, therefore, complaints received from State Government pensioners are forwarded to the respective State Governments for their consideration. Necessary action has been taken in respect of complaints of both the above mentioned categories of pensioners in accordance with the existing procedure.

Reservation of SCs/STs and OBCs in Privatised Public Sector Units

201. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether keeping in view the privatisation of public sector units, Government have taken necessary steps to ensure that after privatisation these units make similar provisions in their recruitment

and promotion policy for persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes as were before their privatisation;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) if not, whether Government would issue directions to the privatised units to make provision of reservation for these categories?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS OF PENSIONERS WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and would be laid on the Table of the House.

Annual Plan for Uttaranchal, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand

202. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given the final shape to the annual plans of Uttaranchal, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details of the plan outlays, State-wise;

(c) the details of growth rate, industrial and agriculture sectors, and the details of the target set with regard to primary, secondary and technical education and health and family welfare and urban development alongwith the allocation made therefore; and

(d) the details of the special additional package, if any, given to Uttaranchal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) and (b) No, Sir. As the plan proposals from the State Governments of Uttaranchal, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand have not yet been submitted for approval of Planning Commission,